

REMARKS

The Applicant has carefully considered the rejections raised in the Final Office Action dated November 2, 2006. As a result, claims have been amended to comply with the Examiner's requirements, as outlined here in below.

On page 4, paragraph 4 of the Final Action, the Examiner deemed claims 5-12 as allowable if rewritten to include all the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, claim 1 is being amended to include the subject matter of the allowable claim 5 and intervening claims 2-4.

Claim 7, which has been deemed as allowable, is being amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 1-4, which claim 7 directly or indirectly depends from.

Claim 12, which has also been deemed as allowable, is being amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 1-4, which claim 12 directly or indirectly depends from.

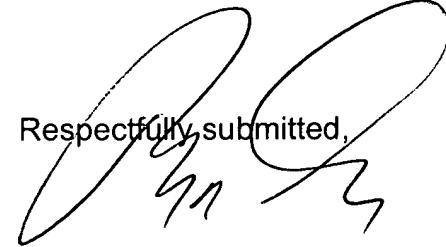
In view of the foregoing amendments, Applicant submits that the claims, as amended, are inventive over the cited prior art.

Furthermore, description pages containing the Summary of Invention have been amended to include the paraphrases of independent claims as amended.

It is respectfully submitted that the amendments made herein are to more particularly and distinctly recite the invention by incorporating the subject matter of allowable claims into their base claims. All the amendments are supported by the application as originally filed, and therefore no new matter has been added.

An earnest effort has been made to place this application in condition for allowance which action is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the allowability of the claims with respect to the art, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would contact the undersigned attorney-of-record at the telephone number shown below for further expediting the prosecution of the application.



Respectfully submitted,

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